

GOP Solon to Back Social Security Rise

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29—(AP)—A prominent republican agreed with President Truman that present old age insurance is "inadequate" and announced he will offer a bill to double the minimum benefits and to bring 20,000,000 more persons into the program.

This broad expansion was proposed by Rep. Kean (R-NJ), a member of the house ways and means committee that originates social security legislation.

The republican-controlled 80th congress brushed aside Mr. Truman's proposal for at least a 50 per cent increase in old age insurance benefits and broadening of the program to increase the coverage from some 30,000,000 employed persons to 50,000,000.

Kean said his bill, which conforms closely with the president's suggestions for expansion, would extend old age protection to the self-employed, farm workers, domestics and all other workers except those covered by special programs, such as federal employees, railroad employees, and some workers for state and local governments.

Also Church Employees

It would permit employees of church groups to join if they desired.

Kean's proposed bill also would provide:

1. A minimum benefit to elderly persons of \$20 a month and a maximum of \$120. This compares with a present minimum monthly payment of \$10 and a maximum of \$85. The size of the benefit is determined by a person's earnings during his working years.

2. A reduction from 10 to five in the number of years a person must participate in the program—with social security deductions from his pay—before he is eligible to benefits in old age.

Given Choice

3. Individuals would be given the choice of having their average earnings computed beginning in 1937 or 1950, which ever gives them the larger benefits in old age. This would raise the level of benefits to many early participants in the program, since general earnings are much higher than 12 years ago.

4. The retirement age for women would be reduced to 62. Benefit eligibility for men still would begin at 65. The program is available only to employed persons.

5. A retired worker could draw these old age benefits so long as he earned no more than \$40 a month. The present law limits these earnings to \$15.

W. J. Falloon Named Multnomah Assessor

PORTLAND, Dec. 29—(AP)—The Multnomah county commission today named Wilbur J. Falloon, real estate man and president-elect of the Portland realty board, as county assessor.

Falloon will fill out the term of Tom C. Watson, who died earlier this month. He had been re-elected in November.

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First-Time Meeting

There was a big smile on the face of Clarence Boggie, freed of murder charges after 13 years imprisonment, and his 42-year-old bride-elect Mrs. Beatrice Nichols, when they met for the first time at Salem's bus depot. Mrs. Nichols, a former Wisconsin school teacher, is given much of the credit for freeing Boggie from prison.

Eagle Skaters Blank Ironmen

SEATTLE, Dec. 29—(AP)—Portland wrapped a 3 to 0 Pacific Coast league hockey defeat on the Seattle Ironmen tonight, the first shutout of the current season against the locals.

The Portlanders counted once in each period and got brilliant support from goalie Tom Karakas, who turned aside 25 shots during the tussle. By contrast, the winning Eagles fired only four times at the Seattle goalie in the second stanza and connected on one of those.

Colonials Take Meet

PORTLAND, Dec. 29—(AP)—Washington high of Portland tonight won a high school invitational tournament sponsored by Lewis and Clark college. The Colonials defeated Rainier, 38 to 34, for the crown. Washington high of Washington took third place with a 30 to 27 edge over Banks. Beaverton placed fifth by walloping Albany, 47 to 29.

Cochell Victor

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 29—(AP)—Intermittent rain and mist caused postponement of all but one of the first-round Sugar Bowl tennis matches today at the New Orleans country club.

Second-seeded Earl Cochell of San Francisco, Calif., defeated Louisiana State singles champion Ed Davis of Baton Rouge, 6-3, 6-0 in the only match played.

Raiders Triumph

PORTLAND, Dec. 29—(AP)—Southern Oregon College of Education defeated Lewis and Clark 62 to 57, on the basketball court here tonight.

Streak Ends

KIMBERLEY, B. C., Dec. 29—(AP)—The league-leading Spokane Flyers, who this week set a United States amateur hockey record of 20 straight home victories, tonight bowed 6-1 to the cellar-dwelling Kimberley Dynamiters of the Western International Hockey league.

Too Late to Classify

LOST—about 4 keys on Buxton alligator container; 2 marked Studebaker, one numbered 5220. Likely lost near curb about half block S. of Commercial on west side of St. Return to L. P. Bach, Bishop's store for reward.

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